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THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin Ranking Member Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cardin:

On behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as required by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) of 1996, Section 212(a)(6), I am reporting on the status of the EPA's provision of small entity compliance guides.

According to SBREFA, Section 212, "for each rule or group of related rules for which an agency is required to prepare a final regulatory flexibility analysis under Section 605(b) of Title 5, U.S.C., the agency shall publish 1 or more guides to assist small entities in complying with the rule..." A complete list of those EPA rulemakings and links to their corresponding small entity compliance guides can be found on EPA's Small Entity Compliance Guide web page at https://www.epa.gov/reg-flex/small-entity-compliance-guides.

For fiscal years 2019 and 2020, EPA published two rules that require publication of a small entity compliance guide:

- Methylene Chloride; Regulation of Paint and Coating Removal for Consumer Use Under TSCA Section 6(a) (84 FR 11420) – The Small Entity Compliance Guide for this rule is available at https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/small-entity-compliance-guidance-regulation-methylene.
- Accidental Release Prevention Requirements: Risk Management Programs Under the Clean Air Act (84 FR 69834) – The Small Entity Compliance Guide for the Risk Management Program is available at https://www.epa.gov/rmp/small-business-and-risk-management-program.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Thea Williams of EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at williams.thea@epa.gov or (202) 564-2064.

Sincerely

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